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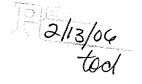
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RE: BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Complaint and Request for Summary

Disposition Against NewSouth Communications Corp. **Docket No. 2004-0063-C, Our File No. 802-10227** 

Dear Mr. Melchers:

On behalf of NewSouth Communications Corp. ("NewSouth") and with the consent and support of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") and the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") I am writing to request permission to have the procedural schedule in the above-referenced Docket altered.

Specifically, the parties request that the deadline for the filing of direct testimony by NewSouth and the ORS be extended from its current date of February 15, 2006 until March 8, 2006. Additionally, the parties request that any further filing deadlines and the hearing in this Docket be continued, pending the parties' submission of a proposed amended procedural schedule.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With kind regards, I am

Very truly yours,

John J. Pringle, Jr.

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